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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO CROWN PRINCE FAHD

1. FOR EMBASSY'S RECORD, FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO CROWN PRINCE FAHD WHICH WAS HAND CARRIED TO RIYADH BY SECRETARY'S PARTY AND WAS DELIVERED TO CROWN PRINCE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: FEBRUARY 14, 1977/ YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

(PARA) AS I INDICATED IN MY MESSAGE TO HIS MAJESTY KING KHALID, I WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE THE INVITATION CONVEYED BY AMBASSADOR PORTER FOR YOU TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY VANCE TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE DATES WITH YOU DURING HIS VISIT TO RIYADH.

(PARA) I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING THE VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENT
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OF SAUDI ARABIA ON HOW WE MIGHT BEST PROCEED ON THE PATH TOWARD A GENUINE PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THIS QUESTION, OF COURSE, IS THE CENTRAL ISSUE IN SECRETARY VANCE'S PRESENT TRIP TO THE MIDDLE EAST. I AM PLEASED THAT HE WILL HAVE THE EARLY BENEFIT OF YOUR COUNSEL, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING THESE MATTERS PERSONALLY WITH YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. MEANWHILE, SECRETARY VANCE WILL CONVEY TO YOU

THE GREAT IMPORTANCE I ATTACH TO MOVING TOWARD A JUST
AND LASTING SOLUTION ACCEPTABLE TO ALL PARTIES.

(PARA) AS YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS FULLY APPRECIATES, MY
COUNTRY GREATLY VALUES THE RELATIONSHIP OF FRIENDSHIP AND
CONFIDENCE WHICH HAS DEVELOPED OVER THE YEARS WITH THE
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA. OUR MUTUAL INTEREST IN THE
SECURITY AND PROSPERITY OF OUR NATIONS REQUIRES CLOSEST
CONSULTATIONS.

(PARA) I HOPE TO SEE OUR RELATIONSHIP CONTINUE TO FLOURISH
DURING MY PRESIDENCY AND VIEW THE OCCASION OF YOUR EARLY
VISIT TO WASHINGTON AS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO CON-
TINUE AND EXPAND UPON THE DIALOGUE WHICH SECRETARY VANCE
WILL BEGIN IN YOUR COUNTRY.

(PARA) I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU AND HAVING YOU AS
OUR GUEST IN WASHINGTON. MAY I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
CONVEY MY BEST WISHES TO YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS, AND TO HIS
MAJESTY KING KHALID AND THE PEOPLE OF SAUDI ARABIA.
SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END TEXT.
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